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# EMS AND 911 COVID-19 RESPONSE WHITE PAPER PROJECT UPDATE

**NEMSAC MEETING PRESENTATION**

**Wednesday, March 2, 2022**

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## Background

- Examine the ongoing EMS and 911 response to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Develop and prioritize actions to enhance response and better prepare the EMS and 911 community for the future

## Listening Sessions

- Engage the EMS and 911 community to discuss issues, challenges, and potential solutions for the ongoing response

✓ **Workforce**

✓ **Supply Chain**

✓ **Data and Information**

✓ **Education**

✓ **Coordination and Collaboration**

✓ **Funding and Business Continuity**

✓ **Operational Countermeasures**

• **Vaccines**



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## Status

- Conducted 7 of 8 listening sessions
- Collected input from across the EMS and 911 community
- Developing White Paper draft

## Emerging Themes

- Codifying EMS and 911 as **essential services**
- **Improving integration** with local level organizations (e.g., EMS, 911, healthcare, public health, public safety, emergency management)
- Enhancing awareness and information sharing regarding **EMS and 911 needs**
- Supporting EMS and 911 organizations' capabilities to **leverage practical adaptations**



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## Timeline

- Update drafts of Listening Session topic sections – March 2022
- Conduct final Listening Session (topic: vaccines) – March 30, 2022
- Complete first full draft of White Paper – April 2022
- Review and update draft (including NEMSAC review) – May/June 2022
- Finalize and publish White Paper – July 2022

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